



## ECONOMIC BENEFITS OF MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE HOUSING PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

- Direct expenditures by programs have ripple effects throughout the economy known as Indirect Effects and Induced Effects, which can be estimated through economic modeling.
  - Indirect Effects and Induced Effects benefit businesses that are not housing sector businesses. <u>Indirect effects</u> reflect business to business spending while <u>induced effects</u> reflect increased spending by workers and business owners.
- In fiscal 2006, MDOC Housing Programs allocated slightly more than \$221 million to Montana's communities. The expenditure of these funds generated an additional \$96 million in business activity in the economy through the ripple effects, yielding an overall increase in economic activity of \$317 million.
  - For every dollar of direct program expenditures, another 18 cents of indirect expenditures occurred and another 30 cents of induced expenditures.
- In fiscal 2006, MDOC Housing Program funds directly supported an estimated 3,486 full time equivalent jobs and created or maintained another 1,546 jobs within the state's economy.
  - The additional jobs occurred in a wide variety of industries including telecommunications, manufacturing, accounting, banking, power generation, security services, insurance and wholesale trade.
- Funds allocated by MDOC Housing Programs benefit not only low-to-moderate-income families within the state but also workers and their families in a number of other industries.

For the complete *Economic Benefits of Montana Department of Commerce Housing Program Activities* report, go to **http://housing.mt.gov/Hous\_CP\_EconBenefits.asp**; or call the Housing Division at 841-2820 to request a printed copy. Alternative formats available upon request.

